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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Status of documentation for the session

Note by the Secretary-General

1. By Economic and Social Council resolutions 1979/1 and 1979/69 on the control and limitation of documentation and 1988/77 on the revitalization of the Council, the Council reiterated that the Secretariat should circulate the relevant documentation in all the working languages six weeks before the opening of the sessions of the Council and its subsidiary organs, and invited the Secretariat to take steps to ensure effective compliance with rule 13, paragraph 4, of the rules of procedure of the Council.

2. By resolution 1979/69, the Council requested the Secretariat to inform the Council and its subsidiary bodies, in the relevant annotated agenda, which documents had not been issued in accordance with the six-week rule, with a full explanation of the reasons that prevented their circulation.

3. In view of the schedule of the forty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (10-21 March 1997), the documentation for the session should have been submitted to the Division for Policy Coordination and Economic and Social Council Affairs by 13 January and circulated by 27 January 1997. The documents not circulated by that date are listed in the annex below.

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Annex

STATUS OF DOCUMENTATION AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 1997

Agenda item	Document	Date of submission to the Division for Policy Coordination and Economic and Social Council Affairs	Date of submission to the Office of Conference Services	Actual or projected date of issue
3 (d)	Report of the Secretary-General on progress achieved in the follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and in mainstreaming a gender perspective within the United Nations system (E/CN.6/1997/2)	27 January 1997	10 February 1997	5 March 1997
3 (c)	Report of the Secretary-General on thematic issues before the Commission (E/CN.6/1997/3)	31 January 1997	20 February 1997	5 March 1997
5	Report of the Secretary-General on a comparative summary of existing communications and inquiry procedures and practices under international human rights instruments and under the Charter of the United Nations (E/CN.6/1997/4)	18 December 1996	21 January 1997	4 March 1997

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5	Report of the Secretary-General containing additional views of Governments, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations on an optional protocol to the Convention (E/CN.6/1997/5)	10 January 1997	19 February 1997	4 March 1997
3 (a)	Note by the Secretary-General on agreed conclusions 1996/1 adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its 1996 coordination segment on coordination of the United Nations system activities for poverty eradication (E/CN.6/1997/6)	10 January 1997	6 February 1997	Issued
3 (a)	Report of the Secretary-General on the improvement of the status of women in the Secretariat (E/CN.6/1997/7)	25 February 1997	27 February 1997	

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3 (a)	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting information provided by the United Nations Development Fund for Women on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/166 (E/CN.6/1997/8)	26 February 1997	28 February 1997	
3 (a)	Note by the Secretary-General on results of the sixteenth session of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (E/CN.6/1997/CRP.1)	14 February 1997	19 February 1997	4 March 1997
3 (a)	Note by the Secretary-General on the proposed programme of work of the Division for the Advancement of Women for the biennium 1998-1999 (E/CN.6/1997/CRP.2)	14 February 1997	19 February 1997	4 March 1997

[a] The date of issue can be indicated only for those documents which have reached the Office of Conference Services for processing.